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WEDNESDAY EVE, DEC. 23, 1891.

"FRANCONIA" ACTIVITY and Crisp have left Cleveland in a state of devotion to his domestic affairs.

For several days there has been a tonnage in London that traffic on the river has been suspended, and the vessels, with few exceptions, are not moving on the streets. The weather is intensely cold.

GROVER CLEVELAND'S stock of "Consolation" has run pretty low and unless a tariff is placed upon the commodity the chances are that England will yet control the American market and raise the price.

THE TREMONTIN TIN MINING COMPANY, of California, has shipped the first full carload of black tin from the mines. The shipment consisted of 25,000 pounds of tin. Previous shipments have been in smaller lots.

COL. JOHN S. MURPHY, the Confederate cavalryman, is vigorous and in good health. His hair is white, but his build and weight are not more than medium. He does not wear a beard, but the slouch hat indicates the southerner.

In his speech at Elmira, N. Y., Hill spoke contemptuously of "lunatics and snufflings" in the Democratic party. This was doubtless meant for a dig at the presidential rival, Grover Cleveland. However, Grover would probably not lose any sleep over it—we mean the hit, not the baby.

Two English ex-soldiers have been detained by immigration officers at New York who were induced by English authorities to immigrate to the United States on conditions by which their pensions were commuted. The one has a draft for \$15 and the other one for \$20. One is 60 and the other 62 years old.

SENATOR VOLKMEYER has announced his determination to defeat, if possible, the confirmation of Judge Wood of Indiana, recently appointed among others, by the President, to the United States Appellate bench. If Volkmeier persists in his course and is supported by the Democrats in the Senate it will be the first time that the Republicans of the Senate to refuse to confirm the two Democrats the President has appointed in deference to that party.

WITH Mr. Elkins in the Cabinet and General Goff on the bench, there is a strong probability that the state of West Virginia may fall into the Republican column. In 1883 Cleveland's plurality in that state was only 506, and was 2,000 short of a majority. The state has six electoral votes, which may make considerable difference in the result in 1892. This fact has caused considerable uneasiness on the part of shrewd Democratic politicians over the selection of Elkins.

GALVESTON Plunderer: Some of the Fulton county "free trade" papers have been lamenting the evil effects of the McKinley bill on the banking factory at Canton, and on the cigar interests at Canton, yet in spite of these lamentations the banking factory did a larger business the last year than ever before, were enabled to sell their goods cheaper, and are preparing for a big output next year, while a new cigar factory, with a capital of \$25,000, has just been organized in Canton, and will be ready for business soon. Strange, isn't it? Does anybody believe that if the lamentations of these free trade papers were true, new cigar factories would be started, and the banking factory would make arrangements to increase its business? Sensible people cannot be fooled by any such free trade statements in the face of actual business development.

EX-SENATOR JOHN J. INGALLS, of Kansas, has written and given out for publication a beautiful eulogium on Senator Plumb. Among the things he said we note the following:

"The loss which Kansas has sustained by this deplorable casualty is irreparable. Plumb's place cannot be supplied. The state is not wanting in men of genius and energy, but no one can adduster to him, but the knowledge and skill, the familiarity with methods of legislation, obtained by long practice and experience, the acquaintance with public men so essential to success. These are not endowments, but acquisitions. The Senator who attacked Plumb must have been in a slumber for years ago when he began fourteen years ago—on the bottom—leaving the state meanwhile without prestige or station till they have returned again. Fortunately indeed he will be if after such an apprenticeship he shall secure for his constituency such lasting advantages and such enduring credit."

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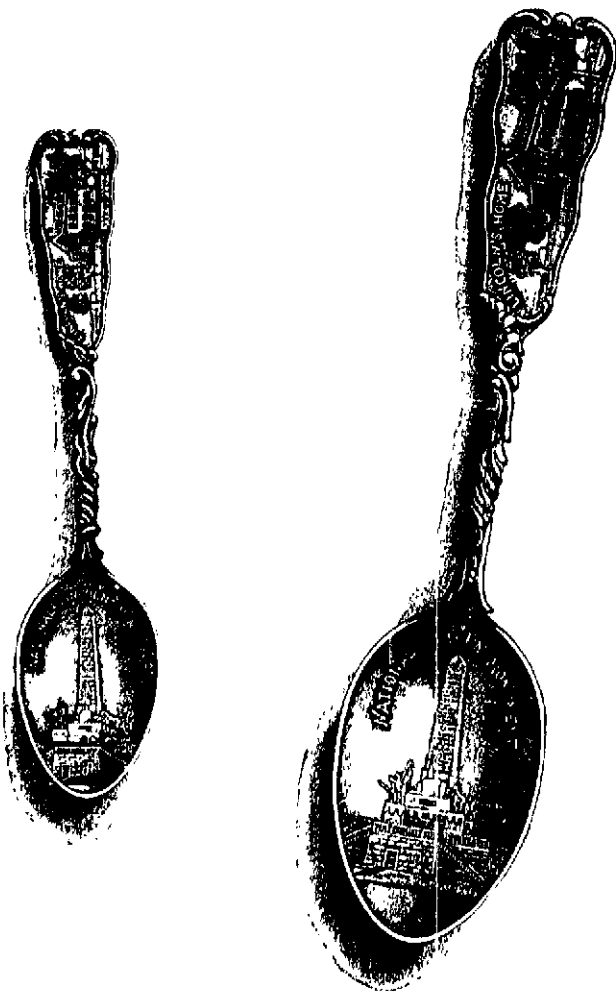
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